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SUBJECT: KOREA AT 30TH UNGA

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1. I DISCUSSED SWEDISH POSITION ON FRIENDLY AND HOSTILE RESOLUTIONS TODAY WITH SOUTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR CHANG WHO PAID ME FAREWELL VISIT. CHANG SAID HE MADE HIS ONLY RECENT APPROACH TO THE SWEDISH MFA BEFORE THE TEXT OF THE HOSTILE RESOLUTION WAS AVAILABLE. HIS REPRESENTATION ACCORDINGLY DEALT ONLY WITH FRIENDLY RESOLUTION.

2. CHANG SAID HIS MFA INTERLOCUTOR (DIRECTOR OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS LEIF LEIFLAND) METICULOUSLY AVOIDED COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT FRIENDLY RESOLUTION, EVEN THOUGH HIS TONE AND MANNER SEEMED TO IMPLY LIKELIHOOD OF SUPPORT. LEIFLAND SAID ULTIMATE SWEDISH ACTION WOULD NECESSARILY BE AFFECTED BY (A) CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE MOMENT AND (B) OUTCOME OF
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3. CHANG SAID HE EXPECTS SWEDISH ACTION TO BE GOVERNED BY DESIRE TO REMAIN CONSISTENT WITH PREVIOUS SWEDISH POSITION BUT ALSO TO AVOID IRRITATING NORTH KOREANS. CHANG FELT THAT SOUTH KOREA LACKS EFFECTIVE LEVERAGE ON SWEDISH POSITION, IN CONTRAST WITH NORTH KOREANS WHOSE SIZABLE PURCHASES ARE APPRECIATED BY GOS AND WHOSE SLOWNESS IN PAYING DEBTS HAS CAUSED GOS RELATIVELY LITTLE CONCERN. STRAUZ-HUPE

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